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DELIVER TO NEA/ARN, DAY AT OPENING OF BUSINESS

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: 0900 LEBANON REPORT

1. FOR ATHENS: FOR THE LAST SEVERAL WEEKS OR SO I HAVE BEEN SENDING IN A MESSAGE OF THIS SORT FOR THE USE OF THE OFFICE DIRECTOR. IT IS NOT REPEAT NOT CLEARED THROUGHOUT EMBASSY AND CONSISTS PRINCIPALLY OF MY OWN EARLY MORNING IMPRESSIONS. IT HAS OCCURRED TO ME, HOWEVER, SOMEONE ON YOUR STAFF MIGHT FIND THIS OF INTEREST IN BRIEFING OUR EVACUEES.

2. NOTHING NEW RE GALLAGHER AND DYKES.

3. LAST NIGHT QUITE QUIET. HEAVY THUNDERSHOWERS APPARENTLY HELPED CEASEFIRE EFFORTS AND CITY QUIET THIS MORNING WITH ONLY OCCASIONAL SMALL ARMS FIRE. EMBASSY IS STILL CUT OFF FROM HOTEL AREA BY AT LEAST TWO ROADBLOCKS. AS OF THE MOMENT PRACTICALLY ALL AMERICAN CITIZENS HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM HIGH TENSION AREAS. MANY BAKERIES AND GAS STATIONS CLOSED DUE DISTRIBUTION
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PROBLEMS, NOT REPEAT NOT BASIC PROBLEM OF SUPPLY.

4. LATEST CEASEFIRE APPARENTLY HOLDING FAIRLY WELL
AND WE ARE CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC THAT IT MAY SUCCEED.
L'ORIENT LE JOUR FRONT PAGES UNDER HEADLINE "WASHINGTON
NOT WORRIED RE FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN LEBANON" THE DEPT
SPOKESMAN'S STATEMENTS THIS SUBJECT.
GODLEY

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